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Dear Mr. Thomas,

Thank you for checking with me before declaring my patent application
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This application is not abandoned.

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I did not receive the notice you described.

I do have several notices on file, such as Filing Receipts, Updated Filing Receipts,
a Formalities Letter, and a Notice of Publication. If something else had arrived I
would have acted on it or at least stored it in my files.

You should also be aware that, just as your previous post office 20231 fell victim
to the September 2001 anthrax attack, so did mine in Hamilton, NJ. My regional
distribution center is still off line and mail does get misdirected and lost far too
often. The center burned down when they turned the decontamination equipment
up too high, but I think that was before the item in question.

I sincerely hope we can put this process back on track.

Thank you.
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